SENATE BILL 1242

By Beavers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38, Chapter 8, relative to shooting ranges.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-8-116(a), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a)

(1)

- (A) All local law enforcement agencies shall open their shooting ranges for public use when such ranges are not being used by law enforcement personnel.
- (B) All other law enforcement agencies are allowed to open their shooting ranges for public use when such ranges are not being used by law enforcement personnel.

(2)

- (A) The law enforcement agency in charge of a shooting range may establish reasonable regulations for the use of the firing range in order to promote the full use of the range without interfering with the needs of law enforcement personnel.
- (B) The law enforcement agency may also charge a reasonable fee for persons or organizations using the range.
- (C) Each public user shall sign a waiver form releasing the law enforcement agency in charge of the shooting range from liability prior to using the firing range.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.